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BREAKDOWN OF THE INCIDENCE OF CONFIRMED RABIES IN LABORATORY EXAMS May 2005

<u>Positive Animal</u>	<u>County</u>
Horse	Douglas (1)
Bat	Boone (1), Iron (1), Jackson (1), St. Louis County (3)

Total Rabies Cases to Date: 19

Total Rabies Cases to Date-Last Year: 7

Negative Animal Heads Examined This Month: 233*

Positive Animal Heads Examined This Month: 7

Percent Positive This Month: 2.92%

Total Animal Heads Examined to Date This Year: 860*

Cumulative Exams and Positive Results - Year To Date						Total Rabies By Year
Species	#Exams	#Positive	Species	# Exams	#Positive	
Dog:	245	0	Rodent/Rabbit	48	0	2004: 59
Cat:	200	0	Other Domestic	4	0	2003: 43
Bat:	228	10	Other Wild	16	0	2002: 45
Skunk:	23	8	Exotic	1	0	2001: 40
Fox:	6	0	Unknown	0	0	2000: 50
Cow	13	0	Total	860	19	1999: 31
Horse	7	1	Counties On Alert: Howell, Douglas Counties are placed on alert when there is a positive result on a domestic animal or when threshold levels for wild animals have been exceeded.			1998: 42
Ferret	0	0				1997: 31
Raccoon	69	0				1996: 26
						1995: 30
						1994: 27

*Includes unsatisfactory specimens.

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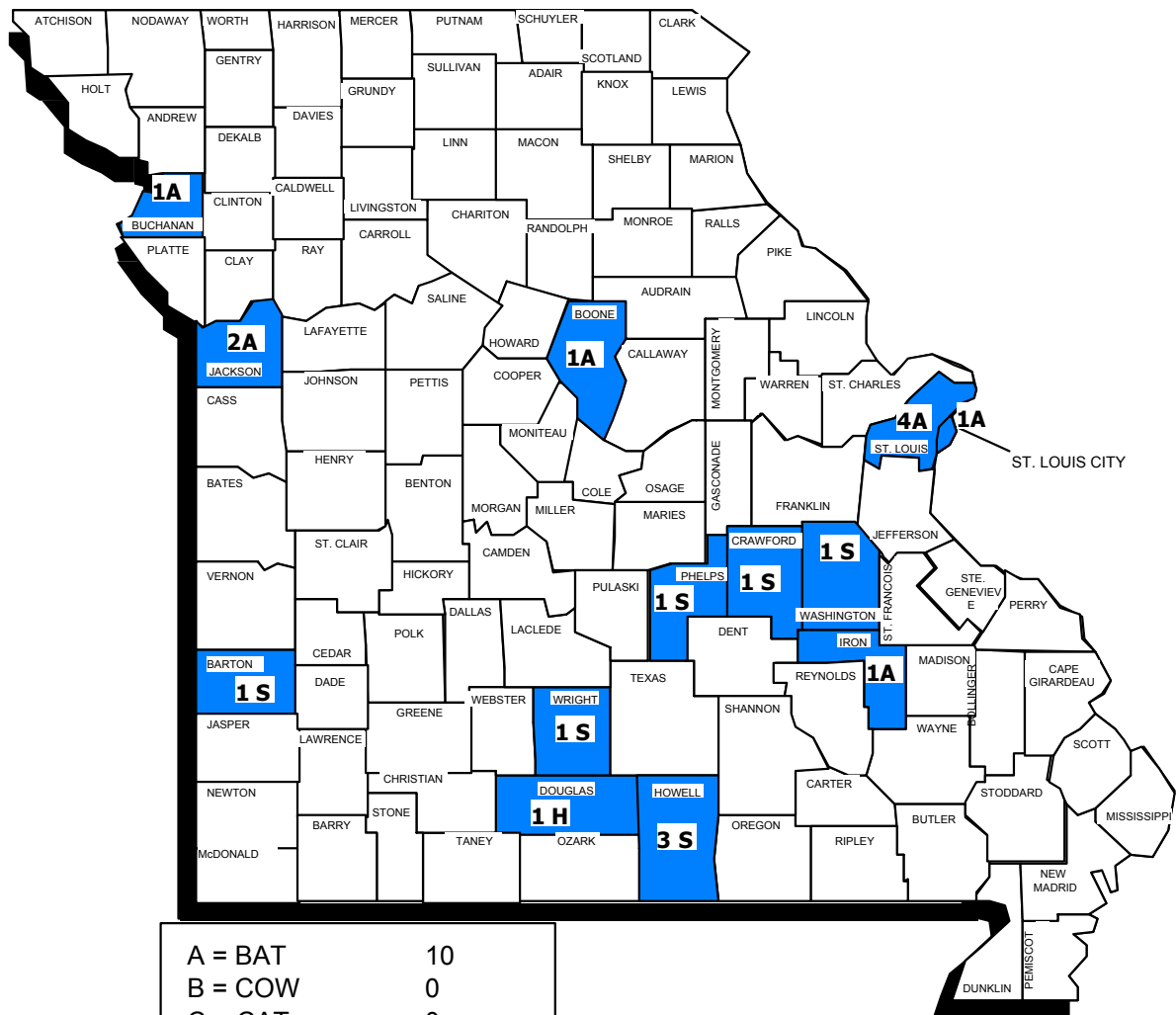
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Confirmed Animal Rabies in Missouri

2005



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